

For those passengers with an urgent need to contact family or business, there are currently air phones available for their use during flights for a fee; the high rates charged to use these existing phones ensures that the user keeps their communications brief and infrequent. When traveling on a commercial flight in close proximity to other passengers, I am glad to know that I can enjoy my flight without the rude and distracting conversations of those people who frequently use their personal cell phones to fill time when they are bored and listless. I do not want to fly with passengers who would have liberal use of personal cell phones during commercial flights; as experienced in public places such as malls, theaters, restaurants and buses, conversations on personal cell phones are distracting and a nuisance to those around them.